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In re application of

Confirmation No. 7898

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Attorney Docket No. 2005 0044A

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Examiner Zeinab E. El-Arini

METHOD FOR PRECLUDING ELUTION OF LEAD AND NICKEL FROM COPPER ALLOY PLUMBING HARDWARE, SUCH AS VALVES AND TUBE COUPLINGS, THE COPPER ALLOY PLUMBING HARDWARE, AND LIQUID FOR RINSING THE PLUMBING HARDWARE Mail Stop: RCE

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Petition hereby is made for a one month extension of time to respond to the communication of January 24, 2007.

The fee of \$120.00 is

- (X) submitted herewith.
- () to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.
- () Small entity status of this application is established by a Small Entity Status Assertion which
 - () is enclosed.
 - () has been previously submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

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